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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Reports and Estimates

Subject: Tentative Allocation of NIS Production Responsibilities

Reference: Standard Instructions for National Intelligence Surveys

1. The Director has taken up with the Secretary of Defense the question raised in your memorandum of 8 September 1948, subject as above, and has been advised that this question, according to the Secretary's interpretation, was decided at the Newport Conference. In consequence, the instructions of the Secretary of Defense are that "these allocations are to be Air Force (with Navy participation)."

2. You may show this memorandum to the appropriate people in the Air Force in the preparation of the allocations for National Intelligence Surveys.

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Assistant Director, Reports and Estimates

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1. The above reference has been approved unanimously by the Intelligence Advisory Committee with the exception of the following allocations of production responsibilities to the Air Force in which the Navy member does not concur:

Section 37 - Civil Air
Section 64E - Aircraft Production
Section 65 - Air Forces
Supplement II - Air Facilities

2. The Navy points out that these MIS sections will be produced by the Air Intelligence Division, Directorate of Intelligence, U.S. Air Force, in which Navy has considerable participation. In consequence, Navy desires these allocations to be: "Air Force (with Navy participation)". However, the Air Force does not agree to this in view of NSC Intelligence Directive No. 3 which assigns the dominant interest in Air Intelligence production to the Department of the Air Force.

3. A policy decision affecting this matter has been long under consideration by the Office of the Secretary of Defense, but it does not appear likely that an early decision will be forthcoming. However, it has become necessary to publish these allocations without further delay in order not to hold up MIS production. In view of NSC Intelligence Directive No. 3, it is recommended that allocation of production responsibilities for the above sections of MIS be assigned tentatively to the Air Force with a footnote in the published document to the effect that Navy does not concur in these particular allocations.

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